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New council takes the reins



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New Minden Hills councillors gathered for the inauguration ceremony in council chambers Dec. 1. From left, Councillor Pam Sayne, Councillor Jean Neville, Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch, Reeve Brent Devolin, Councillor Ron Nesbitt, Councillor Lisa Schell and Councillor Jeanne Anthon.

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

It was a night many Minden Hills residents have been waiting for a long time.

The township's new council, led by Reeve Brent Devolin, was sworn into office at an inauguration ceremony in council chambers Dec. 1.

Master of ceremonies for the evening was former councillor-at-large and Devolin campaign member Peter Oyler.

"Tonight's not just the celebration of our new council, it's a celebration of the roots of our democracy," Oyler told the crowd. "Many of you, I'm sure, remember late

summer of 2011 at a council meeting at the community centre when we were told we would have the opportunity to have our voices heard in October 2014."

Former reeve Barb Reid had made this comment to citizens as they protested the un-tendered hiring of corporate headhunters.

"Well, it's been three long years and at long last, I can quote, those 'toxic and destructive' people and the 'small noisy rabble,' our seasonal and local residents alike, and the business community have made their collective voice heard through the democratic process," Oyler said. "This council showed that we as an electorate wanted a group of individuals who think for

themselves . . . a group of seven people who care about regaining what has been lost."

As he congratulated incoming councillors, Oyler cautioned there was a political honeymoon period, but after that . . .

"Always remember where you are tonight and who put you here," he said.

An emotional Devolin thanked his wife Laurie and family, as well as Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch and Councillor Lisa Schell, who backed him in his bid for the reeve's seat.

"Thank you for your support over the last year and publicly since Jan. 2," he said.

Both Devolin and Reid filed nominations

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Ghomeshi hid out in Minden Hills

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Disgraced former CBC star Jian Ghomeshi was in Minden Hills during the past month, keeping a low profile amid allegations of assault.

Ghomeshi, co-creator and former host of popular CBC Radio show Q, was fired by the broadcasting corporation on Oct. 26. He had not been seen in public until Nov. 26, when he turned himself in to Toronto Police.

On Nov. 27, Toronto media outlets reported that in the interim, Ghomeshi had stayed at a friend's cottage on Gull Lake, just south of Minden.

He'd been offered a place to stay by Jeffrey Latimer, a Toronto music agent whose family owns property on the lake.

Latimer told the *Times* Ghomeshi had called him on Oct. 26, before Ghomeshi had posted his now-infamous Facebook rant, in which he insisted CBC had dismissed him for unusual sexual proclivities, including bondage, domination, sadism and masochism.

"He called me the morning he sent out the Facebook post," Latimer said. "He's a business acquaintance. I've known him for years."

Some artists represented by Latimer have appeared on Q.

Latimer said Ghomeshi told him he needed a place to go to get away for a while.

What did he say, exactly?

"What was in the Facebook post, literally," Latimer said.

Within days, it became clear the case was about more than kinky sex, with women coming forward with allegations they had been punched, choked and slapped by Ghomeshi.

"Once I found out what was going on, I asked him to leave, through his agent,"

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'I'm a very happy councillor': Murdoch

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on the first possible day to do so.

The new reeve thanked those who'd assisted in his campaign, especially Oyler, his wife Klara and Lois Rigney for their expertise.

He thanked the local media for their coverage of the election, noting Haliburton County is one of the most media-intensive rural communities in the province, possibly the country.

"We know that somebody is always watching," he said.

His biggest thanks went to the people of Minden Hills.

"I would just like to say that I'm a very happy councillor," said Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch. "As most of you know, I haven't been very happy the last four years. You people deserve better than you got in the last four years, and we're going to give it to you."

Murdoch said she hoped the township could regain the many volunteers who quit advisory committees during the tumult of the past term.

Councillors respectively thanked the community for its support.

MP Barry Devolin's executive assistant Jamie Schmale brought greetings from the MP, who is the new reeve's brother.

"We want to make sure your priorities are recognized," Schmale said. "I think there's one person in this room who has a more direct line to [Barry] than I do."

Murdoch will look after the finance and general government portfolio; Schell roads and environmental operations; Councillor Jeanne Anthon culture and youth; Councillor Pam Sayne planning and development; Councillor Jean Neville parks and rec; and Councillor-at-Large Ron Nesbitt protective services.

Council will have an orientation session Thursday, Dec. 4.



Chad Ingram Staff

Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin reads the oath of office as he is sworn in at the inaugural meeting of the 2014-2018 Minden Hills council on Dec. 1.

Man charged in murders has Minden connection

A man charged with the murders of two British Columbia girls has ties to Minden.

On Dec. 1, RCMP from B.C. charged Garry Taylor Handlen, 67, with murdering Kathryn-Mary Herbert, 11, in 1975 and Monica Jack, 12, in 1978.

According to *The National Post*, Handlen was charged in 2004 with flight from police, failing to stop for police and dangerous driving, as reported in *The Lindsay Post*. He was a resident of Minden at the time of the charge.

Local OPP confirmed that Handlen did live in the Minden area at one time.

According to the RCMP, Handlen was arrested without incident on Nov. 28 in Surrey, B.C. and is being held in custody, scheduled to appear in Abbotsford Provincial Court next Monday, Dec. 8.

Handlen has been previously convicted of rape and has served more than one prison term, according to *The National Post*.

Anyone with information on Handlen is encouraged to contact the RCMP tip line at 1-877-543-4822.

- Angelica Blenich



All about the base

The county's new EMS base along Highway 35 in Minden is coming along. The \$1.2 million project is expected to be operational in the coming months. The project has a contingency fund of approximately \$125,000 and so far there have been about \$64,000 worth of change orders, including higher than anticipated costs for installation of hydro at the site. Chad Ingram Staff

Ex-CBC radio host free on bail

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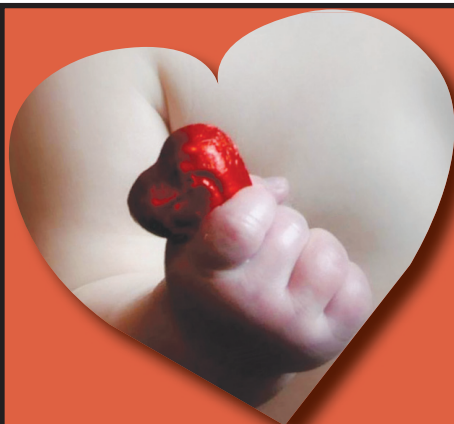
Latimer said.

Ghomeshi, 47, has been charged with four counts of sexual assault and one count of overcoming resistance by choking.

Free on \$100,000 bail, for now he must live with his mother in Thornhill and stay at least 500 metres from his alleged victims.

Ghomeshi is pleading not guilty to the charges and is due back in court in Toronto on Jan. 8.

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Upper tier sees drop in funding

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

In a trend that has been ongoing for years, Haliburton County will see a drop in equalization payments from the province in 2015. At a Nov. 26 meeting, county treasurer Laura Janke told councillors the municipality would see its payments from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) fall by \$136,000.

At one time, the county, which is among the poorest in Ontario, received more than \$2 million a year in equalization payments from the provincial government. In 2011, that figure was \$1.2 million.

"In 2015, it will be less than half of that," Janke said, explaining the municipality will receive \$544,000. The lower tiers also receive OMPF money and there will be an increase at the lower-tier level in the upcoming year.

"Overall in the county, we will see \$150,000 new money ... but here at the county table, \$136,000 is just shy of a one per cent tax increase," Janke said. "It has been more and more difficult to see where we would hold the line on taxes and try to absorb the \$136,000." Janke also told councillors due to the long, snowy season last year and the early start to this year's winter, plus some flood damage from the summer, the roads department will have a deficit for 2014. "We will definitely be over budget on that line," Janke said, adding that while some savings were realized by holding off on construction and maintenance projects, "we definitely don't feel we will have a surplus this year." The roads budget for 2014 was approximately \$5.4 million. It is the largest department budget.

County chief administrative officer Jim Wilson told council that an application for grant funding for repairs to the Head Lake bridge near the high school in Haliburton had made it through to a second round of approvals. "Hopefully, we'll know by the end of January," Wilson said. The bridge, which has cracked pier caps among other ailments, requires some \$1.2-million worth of work.

Council concerned about post office hours, delivery

Haliburton County councillors have some concerns with Canada Post, dealing with post office hours and the future of rural delivery routes.

At a Nov. 26 meeting, council supported a letter from the Town of Collingwood, asking Canada Post to reconsider its plan to axe door-to-door delivery in the country's cities and towns. The first wave of delivery stoppage rolled out last month and Canada Post intends to eliminate door-to-door delivery in all urban areas within the next four years.

Dysart el al Reeve Murray Fearrey noted that the post office in Haliburton had been closed on a recent Saturday – "which is unusual" – and wondered if councillors from other areas were having similar experiences.

Highlands East Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge said it was becoming more common for post offices to be closed Saturdays. "In Bancroft, we have to go to the postal outlet at Shoppers Drug Mart," Partridge said.

Partridge said it was important for council to support Collingwood, as she's convinced that Canada Post's rural delivery routes will be next on the chopping block.

"Rural routes are next and that's home delivery," Partridge said, adding this would be unacceptable given the community's high senior population and percentage of people without vehicles. However, Canada Post maintains that the Haliburton post office should have been open and that it has no plans to scrap rural routes.

"I am not aware of the Haliburton post office being closed on a Saturday," John Caines, Canada Post media relations officer, wrote in an email to the paper. "The Haliburton post office is open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. There are no current plans to close it on Saturday. We regularly review our retail network to ensure we are open when our customers are coming into the offices. If there are times of the day that no one is coming into the facility we do adjust the hours of operation to reflect the traffic pattern of our customers."

According to Caines, Canada Post does not have plans to eliminate rural routes.

Committee disappoints MPP

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott is disappointed in the result of her request for all-party select committee on sexual harassment.

Scott, the PC critic for women's issues, first made the request on the floor of Queen's Park on Nov. 3 in the wake of the Jian Ghomeshi scandal.

Last week, on Nov. 24, Premier Kathleen Wynne released a letter to party leaders indicating her majority government would move forward on studies of sexual harassment and assault, but that the work would likely be done through standing legislative committees.

"She's politicizing it," Scott told the paper, adding that legislative committees are dominated by Liberals.

On Nov. 26, Opposition Day in Queen's Park, Scott put forward a non-binding motion that a committee be struck, which was supported by the Liberals. However, her request for a binding motion to vote to immediately establish an all-party select committee was shot down.

"While I am pleased that all three parties supported my original motion, it is incredibly unfortunate that the Liberal

government played politics today and will not commit to equal representation," Scott said in a press release.

"Due to recent high-profile media stories, it is clear that we need to move quickly to help past victims and protect future victims of sexual harassment. Equal representation would allow for non-partisan debate, but that seems near impossible to have when this government is suggesting this discussion take place in a Liberal-dominated legislative standing committee."

The committee Scott envisioned would have included three representatives of the government and two from each of the opposition parties and begun work this week.

Last week, in a letter to fellow house leaders recommending the issue be dealt with through standing committee, Liberal house leader Yasir Naqvi wrote, "as your parties have always maintained and agreed to as recently as July, committees of the legislature are to reflect the proportion of the recognized parties in the house – reflecting the will of the people of Ontario. For these reasons and others, the Liberal caucus will support MPP Scott's motion in principle, recognizing that we have more work to do to ensure we get this right."

Dining in the Highlands Bonnie View Inn

Only bears hibernate in winter. The rest of us make efforts to enjoy all that wonderful season has to offer – which probably explains why so many people visit the Bonnie View Inn.

Co-owner Andrea Hagarty says the Bonnie View is known for drawing patrons intent on making the most of the snowy season. Some snowmobile or enjoy a skate on the Inn's outdoor rink on Lake Kashagawigamog. Others ice fish for that lake's fabled wall-eye in huts provided by the Inn. And less outdoorsy sorts, simply enjoy the Bonnie View's warm hospitality while playing a friendly game of pool or laughing with friends.

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Mixed reaction to new smoking ban

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Soon smoking will be prohibited on all bar and restaurant patios in the province.

The Ontario government announced the new regulations earlier this month and they will become law effective Jan. 1.

Smoking is already banned on enclosed or roofed patios and decks.

There's mixed reaction to the changes among Minden's barkeeps.

"My initial thought is that it's a bit ridiculous," said Sean Hooey of the Rockcliffe Tavern. "It's going a bit over the top. It's going to put the screws to small business."

Hooey said he understood it when the province banned smoking inside bars and restaurants, but thinks the new regulations go too far.

"When you're outside, I don't see the difference," he said, pondering how second-hand smoke is anymore harmful than

exhaust from idling cabs. "We're not a fine dining establishment."

The Rockcliffe has two patios and security keeps an eye on patrons during busy times.

"So what? We have to keep an eye on people going to have a smoke on the sidewalk?" Hooey said.

He estimated that between 25 and 40 per cent of the bar's regular customers smoke.

"I think [the province] will get a bit of resistance to it," Hooey said.

Meanwhile, down the street at the Dominion Hotel, proprietor Shawn Chamberlin isn't concerned about the changes. In fact, realizing the legislation was on its way, Chamberlin took the proactive step of removing smoking from his patio this year.

"We actually went smoke free on the Dominion tiki bar patio this past summer in anticipation of the new laws," Chamberlin wrote in an email to the *Times*. "It didn't seem to affect business - customers still had to wait for a seat out there for most of

the time. We accommodated our smoking customers with a smoking area where they could sit. Unfortunately they could not bring food or drinks into this area."

Chamberlin believes there is a growing expectation for smoke-free environments from customers.

"Our experience is that the sensitivity gap between smokers and non-smokers has widened," he wrote. "A decade ago smoking and non-smoking sections could be separated by a planter or a wide aisle. But I think that as we are exposed to less and less cigarette smoke in public places the public has built up an enhanced sensitivity to smoke and want a total smoke-free experience. We found that although smoking was limited to outside deck areas there was still significant leakage into inside dining areas. Patrons who live in a smoke free environment definitely detect this and even though the area may be designated as 'smoke free' they do not have a smoke-free experience."

Chamberlin had positive feedback from non-smoking customers and noted that smoking customers, for the most part, were understanding.

While the ban seems to apply to tobacco products, Chamberlin said another decision the province and business owners will have to face is the issue of tobacco-less smoking products, such as vapour cigarettes.

"While the jury is still out on the risk of second-hand smoke from tobacco-less products, there is still a shock value to the non-smoking public and perceived infringement on smoke-free capital," he wrote.

The province has since announced it has plans to ban e-cigarettes everywhere actual cigarettes are banned.

The ban also applies to sports fields and arenas and will prohibit the sale of tobacco products on college and university campuses.

The fine for individuals who violate the ban is \$250.

Barriers remain for victims of sexual assault

Jenn Watt
Editor

Concerns about being believed and being ridiculed remain two of the major barriers for survivors of sexual assault and sexual abuse when making a decision about coming forward.

Sonya Vellenga, executive director of the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre, says reality remains fraught with obstacles for women

and men seeking support and justice.

The court process can be lengthy and involve divulging personal information, Vellenga says.

"We're working with someone right now, the process from start to finish can take four years," she said.

Victims of abuse or assault have to decide whether to invest that kind of time into getting justice.

"We're always careful in sharing potential outcomes [with victims]," Vellenga says. "On

the flip side, if the person isn't convicted, the victim [could face] a civil suit."

There are two cases in the region where women who accused men of sexual assault are now being sued, she says.

"That also adds to the fear of going to the police," she says. "If a shopkeeper was robbed it's unlikely that the alleged criminal would sue the shopkeeper [following an accusation]."

Ahead of the 25th anniversary of the Montreal Massacre and in the wake the Ghomeshi scandal, violence against women - particularly sexual assaults - has captured the nation's attention.

The intense focus is beyond what Vellenga has seen in the media during her career.

"We're really grateful that this conversation is happening and it's not behind closed doors," she says.

"Every day in the newspaper there have been discussions of sexual assault. Certainly more people have spoken out given the media coverage. That's an example of how things might change because people are giving voice to the experience."

Largely she credits social media for pushing the issue farther in public discourse. She gives the example of Ray Rice, who was caught beating his then-fiancee in a casino elevator on camera. Initially, it appears the NFL withheld information about the situation, giving Rice a slap on the wrist before the story gained traction, the video was leaked and the Internet lit up with indignation.

"The NFL knew about that incident months ago. They took action when it

became public on social media," she says.

Aside from running a 24-hour hotline for victims of sexual assault and sexual abuse, the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre also does presentations, including one on the other side of social media.

Vellenga says presentations have been made to students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School about how dangerous cellphone apps such as Snapchat and Tinder can be.

"The last three years have been really quite unbelievable. There are many platforms that youth are using that parents have no idea," she says.

"They aren't using the same social media platforms that their parents are using. The conversations on these platforms is much more explicit than they have been in the past."

Vellenga stressed that there is no private or safe space online and that young people need to keep that in mind.

The sexual assault centre also refers people to other organizations locally and organizes events such as the Take Back the Night walk in Haliburton.

The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre serves four counties - Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough and Northumberland. Last year, it received 300 calls from across that area.

Victims Services Kawartha Lakes Haliburton, which is a referral agency of the OPP, received calls about 24 incidents of sexual violence.

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AH councillors welcome new term of office

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

It was mostly familiar faces around the table at Algonquin Highlands when councillors were sworn in for their new term of office at the township's inauguration on Dec. 2.

Held in council chambers, three returning councillors and the reeve took the oath of office, as well as recently elected Councillor Brian Lynch, who took over former councillor Gord Henderson's position.

Reeve Carol Moffatt and councillors Liz Danielsen and Lisa Barry were all acclaimed to their positions, while Councillor Marlene Kyle defeated candidate Bob Buckingham.

Kyle nominated Danielsen for the role of deputy-reeve, which was seconded by Lynch.

This will mark Danielsen's second term as deputy-reeve for the township.

Moffatt said she was honoured to be serving Algonquin Highlands as reeve for a second term.

"I believe I work very hard for not only Algonquin Highlands but all of Haliburton County," she said. "To my colleagues, thank you for stepping up to a job that most people don't want, but certainly have an opinion on."

The reeve pointed to many issues facing the township in the next four years, including the current airport expansion project, infrastructure costs and providing necessary services.

Moffatt touted Algonquin Highlands as being a progressive township, with dedicated staff and three unique communities.

Councillors shared similar sentiments, thanking friends and family for support and looking forward to the next four years.

Danielsen said she was honoured to serve the people of Algonquin Highlands and that the first term was a learning experience for her.

"I hope that I've learned to listen a little more and speak a little less," she said. "That's important sometimes."

The deputy-reeve was looking forward to continue working in her role for the township.



Angelica Blenich Staff
Newly elected councillors for the township of Algonquin Highlands were sworn into office at the inauguration on Dec. 2 in council chambers. From left, Ward 1 Councillor Brian Lynch, Ward 2 Councillor Lisa Barry, Reeve Carol Moffatt, Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen and Ward 3 Councillor Marlene Kyle.

Putting the right foot forward



Haliburton residents Marina Maughan with husband Miles laughed despite the challenging new waltz dance steps during a ballroom dancing session

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Phrases such as under-turn, natural and reverse turn, are all just part of the lesson for ballroom dancing students.

Three Highlands couples taking a class with Elaine Nicol of the Ken Atkinson School of Dance smiled through the challenge of learning a new sequence of 18 dance steps.

The couples of Laurie Marks-O'Sullivan and her hus-

band Tim O'Sullivan, Miles and Marina Maughan and Kim and Linda Emmerson look forward to the spring when they can dress in their best and kick up their heels, showing what they've learned at "social dance" events in Orillia and Dunsberg.

The advanced students, all with several years of dance experience, meet weekly at Club 35 in Halls Lake, just a few minutes north of Carnarvon, left with a smile after an hour.

"We laugh and we make mistakes," Linda says. Nicol can be contacted by calling 705-329-0257.



Haliburton residents Kim Emmerson with wife Linda work through new waltz steps during a ballroom dancing session at Club 35 in Halls Lake, just north of Carnarvon. The session, which is taught weekly by Elaine Nicol, is part of the Ken Atkinson School of Dance. The Emmersons have been taking ballroom since 2006.

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Local.

These terms are prevalent in the county's lexicon and while they may seem like harmless descriptors, they can actually be quite weighted, even sowing seeds of division and animosity.

Haliburton County, like any lake-filled community in central Ontario, has a seasonal segment to its population, typically waterfront property owners who can be found in the area between April and November.

Cottagers.

There's nothing wrong with the term when it's used to describe people who own cottages.

There is something wrong when it's used to denote perceived superiority.

In the lead-up to the Minden Hills election, the president of one of the township's lake associations sent an email to members urging them to vote for certain candidates.

"Dear fellow cottagers," the email began. "Cottagers represent the majority of the votes and the vast majority of the revenues received by Minden Hills."

It is true there are more seasonal voters than year-round voters in the township and it is true that, because of the high value of waterfront property, their taxes represent the lion's share of property tax income for the municipality.

So what?

Some seasonal residents lament they don't see much for their tax dollars, but the reality is those tax dollars are needed to maintain roads, libraries, parks, etc.

Without seasonal tax dollars, there simply wouldn't be communities in Haliburton County, hence nowhere for seasonal residents to shop, dine, stroll and so on.

This is widely understood, but seems to escape a few.

Following his loss on Oct. 27, a now-

former Minden Hills councillor wrote in a group email, "I believe that there was a concerted effort by a group of locals to take back control of council from the cottagers."

This kind of divisive, destructive thinking serves no positive purpose and has no place at the council table. Not only does it underscore the idea there are two separate, distinct populations, it implies one is superior to the other, somehow more qualified to run the show.

The definition of "local" is of course somewhat elusive, but it seems to be largely agreed that it's a badge that can be worn only by those actually born and raised in the county.

This is the problem with labels and their arbitrary and frivolous parameters.

The "local" and "cottager" labels fail to take into account other entire groups of the population.

There are year-round residents who came from away for work. There are cottagers turned year-round residents.

I'm an amalgam of both those things. My family's had a cottage in the county for generations. I've been coming here since before I can remember. I've been a year-round resident as an employee of this paper for the past six years.

What am I? And more importantly, does it matter?

Constructive members of the community work to bridge the divide and build a united atmosphere.

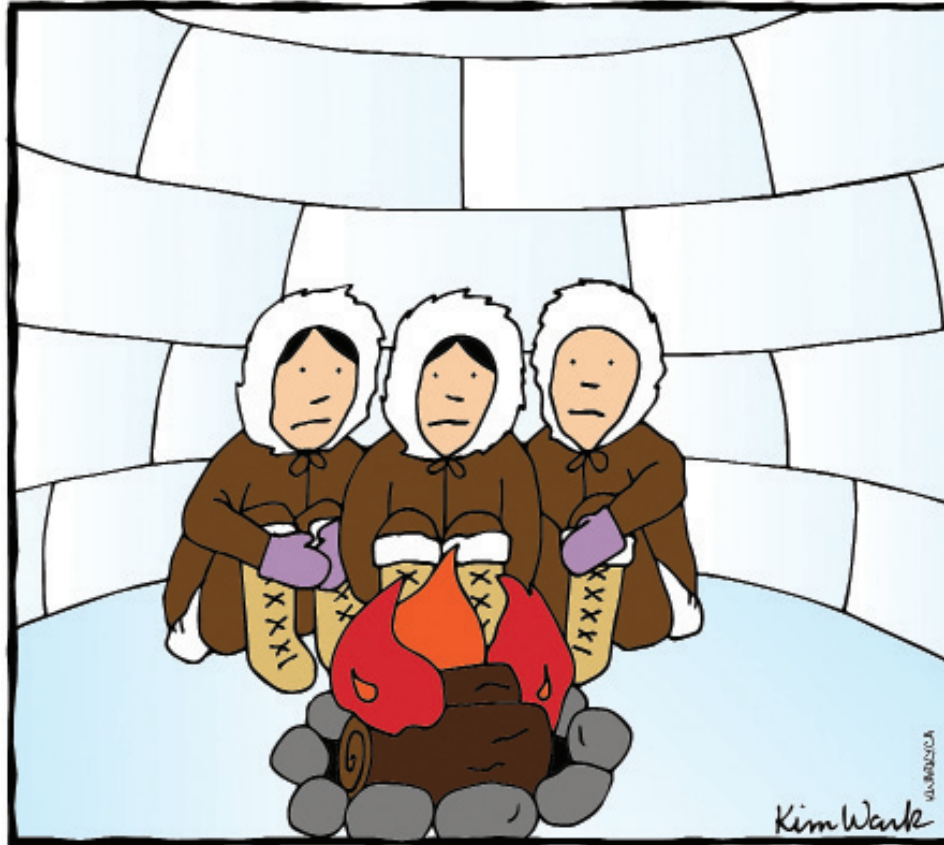
Every day there are born and bred "locals" rolling up their shirtsleeves alongside retired cottagers-cum-residents, working together for the betterment of this community. These folks don't draw distinctions between themselves. Instead of locals and cottagers, they see themselves as neighbours and friends.

May that spirit of unity find its way to the council table as a new term begins in Minden Hills.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

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MÉNAGE À FROID

GPS and the common man

THIS MORNING, I phoned my buddy Tom and asked if he had any big news. He told me he just bought a GPS unit for his car.

If you want a top-notch salesperson, hire the guy who sold Tom that unit.

I have known Tom for more than 20 years and not once have I ever seen him ask anybody or anything for directions. Except just once; he asked me for directions on how to use the handheld GPS his wife bought him for Christmas.

I believe it has collected dust ever since.

If there is a stereotypical middle-aged man of the old school, it is my friend Tom. He's the kind of guy who would, on principle alone, find another public wash-room if you advised him there was one just around the corner.

He considers himself a gentleman, which means he especially does not ask

women for assistance or directions. For some reason, he does not consider this a responsibility a gentleman places upon the fairer sex.

That's why I was so overjoyed when he bought this GPS unit. For apparently the directions are administered in a calm and authoritative manner by the computer-generated voice of a woman he calls "Mary."

I confirmed this when I called him an hour after he installed the unit.

"How is your GPS working out?" I asked.

The question was innocent enough but the fact that he was sitting on a park bench cooling off told me that I was in for a long answer.

In the short while he had used it, Tom already had several arguments with Mary and now she wasn't speaking to him.

"How is that even possible?" I asked.

It began, he said, after Mary advised him to travel down the county road until he got to the turn off towards his destination – the hardware store.

"I wanted to take the old road, so I could check out the meadow beside the old barn," Tom explained. "My way is quicker and you get to see deer and turkey in the fields..."

An awkward silence followed.

"I tried to tell Mary that," he said. "But she just wouldn't listen. Then she asked if I wanted to turn toward the county road and proceed . . . for the third time."

My friend was rapidly losing patience.

"She's just so bossy. She suggests fastest times, shorter times using mostly highways, routes with the least use of highways and even a pedestrian mode in case hell freezes over and I

get the urge to take her for a stroll . . ."

He then caught his breath and said, "She even has the nerve to tell me how long it's supposed to take. Well, I told her I'd get there in my own sweet time!"

"Oh dear," I muttered.

"Then there are her points of interest. The coffee shop and gas station I can take, but shopping?"

I listened quietly.

"Steve," he continued. "I just don't think this is going to work out. Now you'll have to excuse me. I'm getting back in the car and Mary and I are going to have a talk."

Hours later, Tom called to tell me that he and Mary had parted ways.

Apparently, on the way home she said it was her way or the highway. So, with a simple click of the mute switch, my buddy chose the highway.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

points of view

Sharing our stories

IT WAS A LONG morning drive to a far corner of the province. Lunch was excellent. The conversation was enjoyable. My aunt, who I had travelled to visit, was doing fine.

When it was time for me to drive back home she said she wanted to show me something. She pulled out a folder of papers, some with hand writing, others typewritten. She said that she was writing the story of her life and wanted relatives to know the notes existed in case anything happened to her.

She had written notes about the Great Depression, her experiences as a WAC in the Second World War, her business experiences and family matters. I had heard much of this before but listened and congratulated her for being diligent in getting her stories and thoughts down.

One story I had not heard before. She wrote that during the Dirty Thirties jobs and money were scarce and her family, like so many others in those days, was poor. An older brother, my dad, landed a first job racking balls and serving hot dogs at a pool hall. When he got his first pay cheque he went shopping and brought home a winter coat and gloves for their little brother.

"I'm writing all this down," said my aunt, "because I want people to know that although we were very poor, we were a good, happy family. We shared and we all turned out to be good people."

That visit impressed on me the importance of jotting down our stories. We all have stories and those stories are important pieces of the history of our families, our times and ourselves. Without them our collective history is weaker.

Another relative once told me fascinating stories about growing up in Northwestern Ontario. She recalled the morning in the 1940s when electrical crews arrived at the family farm and how the family oohed and aahed at having electric lights for the first time. I urged her to record her stories but an unexpected fatal disease cut

short her writing.

All that we have of her stories is whatever anyone can recollect her telling them. Stories passed on by mouth are interesting but the facts sometimes get changed in the telling.

When life ends our money goes to other people. Our homes and cars get passed on or sold. Our clothes end up in rag factories. Our stories are all that remain after death.

Telling our stories is fine. We all have sat around listening to an elder tell of life in times before we were born. But getting them down, onto paper or into an electronic device, ensures that other people hear them. Even if you just scratch a note and file it. Getting them down is important. Our stories are portals through which others can learn about our lives and our times.

Richard Wagamese, one of Canada's strongest writers, sums this up much better than I can, writing:

"All that we are is story. From the moment we are born to the time we continue on our spirit journey, we are involved in the creation of the story of our time here. It is what we arrive with. It is all we leave behind. We are not the things we accumulate. We are not the things we deem important. We are story. All of us."

You don't need to be a writer to record your stories. Spelling, grammar and sentence structure are not nearly as important as the story, and getting it recorded and put away. We all possess different talents and skills and when we have to do work outside our skills we simply do the best job we can.

As Richard Wagamese writes:

"What comes to matter then is the creation of the best possible story we can while we're here; you, me, us, together. When we can do that and we take the time to share those stories with each other, we get bigger inside, we see each other, we recognize our kinship - we change the world, one story at a time..."

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letters to the editor

Report phony fundraiser to police

To the Editor,

The Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Branch has been advised that someone has been going door-to-door in Minden, saying they are accepting funds on behalf of the Legion. Please report any such occurrence to the police, as our members do not solicit donations in this manner.

During the recent poppy campaign, our members were stationed at several local businesses in order to

accept donations on behalf of needy veterans. They carried the authorized white poppy boxes and either were in uniform or had a ribbon identifying them as Legion volunteers.

Jan Briggs-McGowan
1st Vice President
Branch 636

Healthy gift ideas

When searching for the perfect gift for a family member this holiday season, the Health Unit is encouraging you to consider these healthful hints.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is suggesting five healthy gift ideas for people to consider getting their loved ones this year. "These gift ideas may not be top of mind, but come wrapped with good intentions," says Shelley Shaughnessy, a Family Health Nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "The idea behind each gift item is to encourage health and well-being, and what better present would you want to give your loved one than that?"

The five items include gifts that promote food safety, physical activity, healthy teeth, learning skills and time together as a family. The specific items include:

1) A meat thermometer is a practical gift idea, especially for someone who loves to cook or barbecue. Raw and undercooked meats, especially poultry, are major sources of foodborne illness. Meat thermometers are important to measure the internal temperature of meats to ensure they have been properly cooked. You can complete this gift by visiting the Healthy Canadians website (www.healthy-canadians.gc.ca) and searching for the "Safe Internal Cooking Temperatures Chart" that you can then print and include as a resource with the meat thermometer.

2) The gift of physical activity can take the form of sports equipment such as skates, snowshoes, skis, toboggans, snowboards, hockey sticks or curling brooms, as well as the related safety equipment like helmets and gloves. Purchasing passes for parks, ski trails, fitness clubs, recreation centres, swimming pools or bowling alleys can also be popular, especially to encourage people to stay active

during the winter months.

3) A toothbrush can be a good stocking stuffer for a young child, especially as a reminder about the benefits of regular brushing. If an electronic gadget is more to your child's liking, consider an electric toothbrush that is designed for children. You can enhance the gift, and keep children busy over the holidays, by including oral health activity sheets that you can find under the 'Kids' Zone' section of the Ontario Dental Association's website (www.youoralhealth.ca).

4) Board games may seem old-fashioned, but can be a good way for the entire family to unplug from their digital devices. "Age-appropriate games can also encourage learning and life lessons without children even realizing it," says Shaughnessy. Not only can a board game be fun to play, it can promote reading, counting and colour recognition. It can also encourage social skills, such as taking turns, winning with tact and handling disappointment. Board games can also provide fun opportunities for face-to-face interaction between family members, Shaughnessy adds.

5) The gift of time can be the most precious item to get someone, and it does not need to be expensive. Set aside some time with your child or family member when you can do something together that you both enjoy. This could be an outdoor winter activity, going on a day trip somewhere, seeing a movie together, playing a game, or working on a building project. "Life is so hectic and rushed that spending time with a loved one can build bonds and create memories that are priceless," notes Shaughnessy.

- Submitted by the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit

RIDE program results in charges

During the week of Nov. 24 to 30, members from the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police and the Central Region Traffic Unit conducted 17 RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) at various locations within Haliburton County.

Charges and Suspensions

- 1 Approved Screening Device Test(ASD)(Drivers who consumed alcohol but breath samples were less than 50mgs)
- 1 Three-Day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension
- 1 Possession of a Schedule II Substance- Cannabis Marijuana under 30 grams charge under the Controlled Drugs and Substance Act Section 4(1)

- 1 driving motor vehicle with open container of liquor charge under the Liquor Licence Act section 32(1)

Officers want to remind drivers that any amount of alcohol can impair one's ability to drive and that the OPP can issue an immediate roadside driver's licence suspension to drivers who register a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) in the "Warn Range" of .05 to .08.

The Haliburton Highlands OPP officers are in full force during the Festive RIDE campaign running from Nov. 24 until Jan. 2 and that RIDE. stops can be conducted at anytime and anywhere in Haliburton County.

- Submitted by the OPP

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Hawks offence outpaces Bulldogs

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Sports, like life, is about how you respond to getting knocked down.

The senior boys' Red Hawks basketball team exemplified character and resilience that their head coach Dave Waito appreciated in rebounding from a loss after beating the visiting Brock Bulldogs in the team's home opener 44-35 this past Monday.

The win comes on the heels of their season opener loss against a strong Spartans team of Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute a week before.

Waito considers this win as a character builder and believes it is as important as skill building.

He was pleased with the team's play, particularly the turnaround for the offence, which executed much better in getting inside and finding open looks.

"That was our game plan it was one of our big threes: looking to get inside today, being more aggressive than last week against LCVI," he said. "That was by far the difference maker ... the [offensive] system worked well and the boys executed that part of the game plan really well."

Waito said the three keys for team success includes limiting turnovers and communicating on the floor. He adds the communication is "coming along" but improving turnovers will be addressed in practice.

"We've got a long way to go to pull that down to the 10 mark. There is still a lot of season. We squeaked it out at the end," he said.

The team surrendered at least double the desired turnover number, Waito said.

There were too many second and third chances given up because of the Hawks inability to box out. The team will work on it, Waito said.

Although the team didn't rebound very well, Waito said he was impressed by his players Ben Davis and Cody Bain, who were a "model to work from" in the first half.

The team's offence started well (helped in part by the opposition's inability to shoot, missing at least 12 consecutive shots), which resulted in a 16 to 3 run with a little more than six minutes left in the second quarter.

During the Hawks explosive offensive opening, the team was led by forward Nick Thompson's eight points in the first. Thompson was simply dominant inside, evading defenders with his fakes and slashing drives. Waito called him a "machine."

Winning 22-8 at halftime, Thompson's teammate Hunter Smith heated up and took over where he led off. Smith ignited for 16 points in the second half, finishing with 22 points to top all players. He was all over the court, scoring inside on the drive and on short five-footers.

He finished with 20 points in the

game and scored 12 in the second, including four points (of the team's five) in the fourth when Brock outscored the home team 12 to five.

With 4:13 left in the third quarter, the Bulldogs found their shooting touch absent for most of the game. The visitors went on a 16-10 run, including four three pointers.

In the fourth quarter when the Bulldogs were making their run, Waito called an important time-out to not only slow the momentum of the visitors, but to calm his team.

"I called them in and said we need to slow it down. We need to be deliberate. We need to make clean passes and we need to remember what got us that lead in the first half, which was getting inside and holding onto the basketball and not turn it over," he said. "They did. Their composure down the stretch ... that's big bonus of having all these fourth year guys is that they've been through the grind and know what it's like to finish a game."

Hawks guard Caleb Schmidt added six points while teammate Sage Christiano added four points.

The team's next home game is today against the I.E. Weldon Wildcats. Tip-off is at 4:15.

The Red Hawks junior boys' team completed the double-win after the seniors in the double-bill offering of basketball at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Monday with a 40-36 win over the junior Brock Bulldogs.

Hawks player Shane O'Reilly led all scorers with 16 points while the Bulldogs' top scorer was Jordan Baker with eight points.



Top, Brock Bulldogs Jonathan Godfrey, left, defends Red Hawks post player Nick Thompson, who finished with 13 points, during the home opener 44-35 win for Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Monday in Haliburton. Left, Red Hawks guard Caleb Schmidt soars past Brock Bulldogs defenders. The Hawks are 1-1 on the season. The Hawks' Hunter Smith led all players with 20 points in the win.

Darren Lum Staff



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Dollo's Masters Men's Bonspiel at the Minden Curling Club

The annual Dollo's Masters Men's Invitational Bonspiel was held at the Minden Curling Club on Tuesday, Nov. 25. This event has been held at the club for the last eleven years. The 16 teams came from a total of eight different Ontario curling clubs including Minden Curling Club. The all day spiel included a delicious lunch for the players. The bonspiel is sponsored by the local Minden Dollo's Foodland who also supplied the excellent meat prizes which were awarded to the first four winning teams in each draw. The overall winning team and recipient of the Dollo trophy was a team from the Orillia Curling Club skipped by Bill Baker with Dave Boyle as vice, John Cook as second and Larry Hills at lead.

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Girls' hockey wins over Falcons 5-1

The girls' hockey team hosted the Fenelon Falls Falcons in their home opener. Sydney Feir opened the scoring in the first period, but the Falcons battled back with a short-handed goal to tie it up. Kenndal Marsden finished off one of Erin Little's hat-trick of assists for a 2-1 period lead. After a scoreless second period, the Red Hawks scored three more unanswered goals (Syd Cameron, Erin Little, Alicia McLean) for a final 5-1 victory.

Boys' basketball team loses to LCVI

The junior boys' Red Hawks basketball team began their season on a very positive note despite losing to LCVI 24-19 in a nail biter. Congrats to our big men, Shane O'Reilly, Izac Reid, and Collin Martin, for dominating the boards and scoring most of our points. Congrats to our guards Owen Patterson-Smith, Sam Longo, and Nick Placido for taking care of the ball and using great judgment with pass and shot selection. Great foul shots Jacob Haedicke and awesome support both on and off the bench from Cam Little, Jackson Picco, Brandon Verstege, Jordan Lapierre and Parker Smolen.

Wrestling team travels to Cobourg

The wrestling team travelled to Cobourg to compete at the first tournament of the season. Overall, the team had a great day, winning 70 per cent of the matches. Special mention goes to Greg Crofts, Keagan Gillam, Justin Irvine, Tom Paul, Sonya Flatman, Betty Paton and Sonora Plumb who went undefeated at the competition.

Hockey team finishes week one win, one loss

The men's Red Hawks hockey team finished the week with one win and one loss. Earlier in the week, the team defeated the LCVI Spartans by a score of 10 to 3. In the game against the Saints from St. Peter's, the team had a tough second period and were downed by a score of 5-2. The team record now sits at two wins and one loss.

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Junior volleyball building to future

Darren Lum
 Staff reporter

The days of bumping for points is over now for the Red Hawks junior girls' volleyball team, says its coach Brett Caputo.

At a recent practice, Caputo told his team that he wants to see a concerted effort made towards setting up an attack, employing the setter to use the three hit maximum in situations that allow.

The team is young, but not without potential, he adds.

There are 15 players on the roster that includes seven Grade 9s so the team is nearly a clean slate. This aspect is not lost on Caputo, who believes this an opportunity for a brighter future for this team and the entire Hawks volleyball program.

He'll focus on teaching sound fundamentals to the relatively young team.

"They're coming with very little background so my approach is start with the feet and work our way up. They're coming. It takes time," he said. "They're doing well and have improved."

He likes the idea of a young team because of the opportunities for progress, as they "improve daily."

Unlike some school sport seasons, this time of year the athletic talent pool is divided between three teams, providing an opportunity for a diverse set.

"It's a different group of girls than we normally see [for a sports team] in the school. Normally in the spring field hockey has the majority of our athletes and then we split them with wrestling, volleyball and hockey so you get a bunch of different types of athletes, different types of girls, which is good because different bodies fit different roles," he said.

This year the school's lower enrolment

has put the team in the A category, which means a different post-season picture than other years. Instead of being lumped into a league where the Hawks would have to play the AAA schools of Lindsay, the Hawks will instead be squaring off against other A schools such as Brock and St. Thomas for a path into and through the Kawartha playoffs.

During the season, prior to the playoffs, the team will still play AAA and AA schools, but won't have it count to a berth to the post-season.

Caputo has already prepared his team mentally for those matchups, which will prove to be challenging.

"We're going to work on certain things in different matches and we'll have different game strategies. It's a good way. They have to elevate their game. We'll see how it goes," he said. "We don't know how strong teams are going to be until we see them. I'm working on fundamental defence because that's where this game starts and my approach is if the ball doesn't touch the floor you cannot lose so that's what we're going to do."

For short-term goals, the team is focusing on skill building, comfort on the court in terms of positioning and players' roles. Then the team will progress to employing strategies. He will emphasize learning, but hopes to fulfill realistic scoresheet goals.

"Our goal would be to win a match in every tournament against some team," he said.

Long-term Caputo said he'd love to qualify for Kawartha, particularly since receiving the new A ranking.

The first home tournament for the juniors is Jan. 15 at 1 p.m. and the seniors host their first on Dec. 15 at 1 p.m.



Red Hawks junior volleyball coach Brett Caputo, in black, shows his players the approach to spike a ball in pre-season practice. Darren Lum Staff



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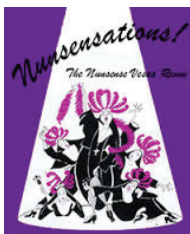
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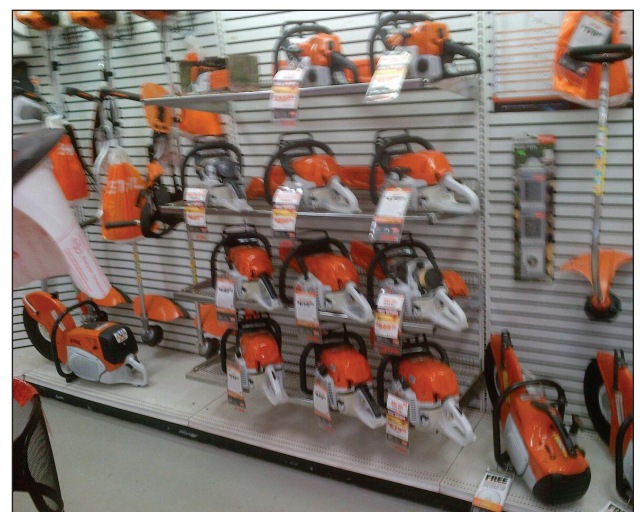
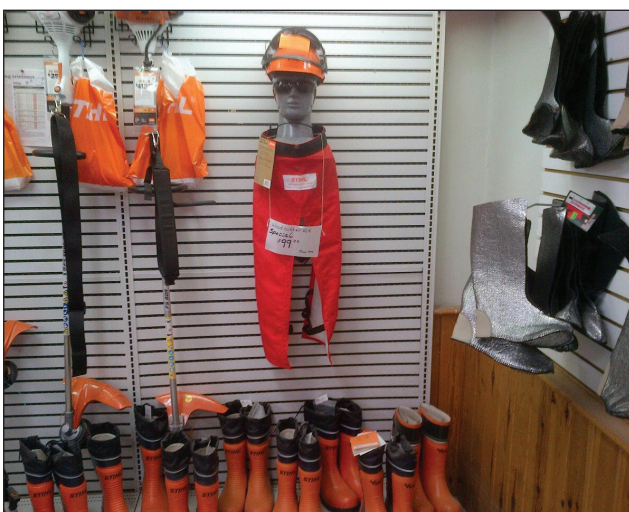
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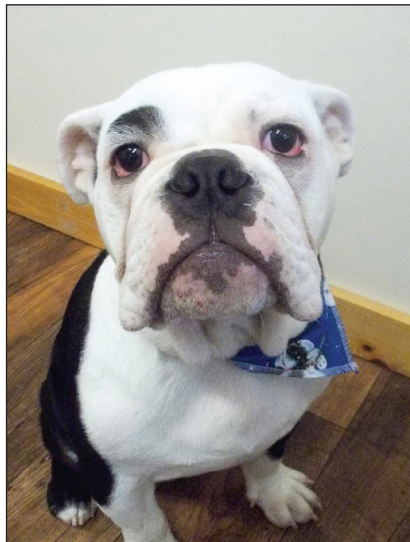
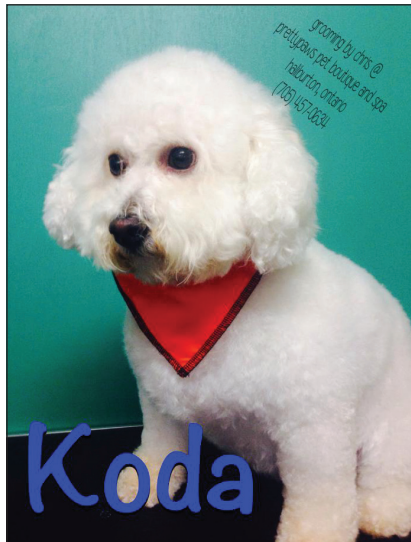
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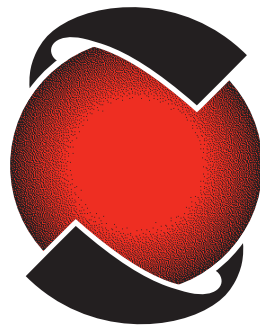


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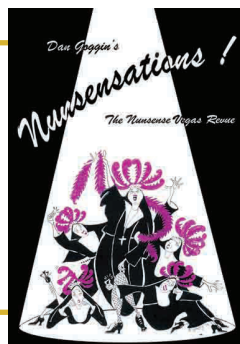
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highland storm hockey

Peewees take on Bears at home

The Highland Storm Minden Pharmasave Peewee team faced off against the South Muskoka Bears in Haliburton on Saturday, Nov. 29 and Sunday, Nov. 30. While both games had different outcomes, in both cases the message was sent that dirty play and unsportsmanlike conduct by both players and parents of the opposition could not bring our boys down.

Early in the first period on Saturday, Ryan Hall dangled down the ice, passing off to Isaac Little resulting in the first goal of the game. In the second period, the Bears were able to sneak one past Ethan Glecoff in net. Although the boys fought a hard battle they were not able to break the 1-1 tie.

On Sunday the Minden Pharmasave Peewees hosted the Bears for the second time of the weekend. The Bears and their parents arrived ready for battle and the game was a battle indeed with a total of 36 penalty minutes served. The Bears realized from the previous game that it would be difficult to outplay the hometown boys. It appeared that the opposition's strategy was to bully the home team both from the ice and from the stands. The boys faced dirty hits and boos from the stands. They served many retaliatory penalties but simply could not be beat!

Joe Boice started the scoring with minute left in the first period assisted by Benn MacNaull and Zach Morissette. In the second after many penalties on both sides Joe put the puck in again assisted by Ryan Hall and Zach Morissette. Our boys left the ice for the flood after the second confident and would not let the "boos" from opposing parents rattle them.

Seconds after the puck dropped in the third, the Bears scored. Not to be outplayed, Ryan Hall found open ice and in his effortless way, outskated the Bears and found the back of the net. The remainder of the period was physically rough and with a minute and a half remaining, the Bears scored a second time resulting in a 3-2 win for the Minden Pharmasave Highland Storm. An intense weekend of hockey indeed. Come out to cheer on the boys in Wilberforce in Saturday, Dec. 6 at 1 p.m. when they face off against the Bancroft Jets. Submitted by Jennifer Little

Midget girls play Ice Kats

The Minden Car Quest Auto midget B girls travelled to Keene Saturday afternoon to take on the Wolverines in their first game of two on their one day road trip. The Storm girls were using the games to continue their push for first place in their loop and their Sunday afternoon tilt in Haliburton taking on the Peterborough Ice Kats. After a scoreless first period, and our bench being shortened with a player injury, Alicia McLean opened the scoring on a power play with a forehand-backhand top-shelfer midway through the second period. Keene tied the score minutes later off a goal mouth scramble from their own power play effort. Taking on the Wolverine challenge and aggressive play, the Storm secured the lead again late in the second period off another power play with Kelsey Maracle also going forehand-backhand to beat the Keene tender. The Storm girls continued to keep Keene off the scoreboard with their strong defensive play and late in the third period, Erin Little iced the game with a "Slushy-focused" empty netter. Great game, girls.

The Storm continued their road trip to Brighton that night to battle the Cold Creek Comets in a rematch game from the previous weekend where the Comets had the Storm on their heels much of the game. The start of the game proved to be a similar situation where the Comets jumped out to an early first period 1-0 lead off a five-on-three power play. The Storm rallied their efforts and emotion to take on the Cold Creek challenge. Alicia McLean tied the score with the first of five unanswered goals to get the win. Becca Anderson got her first snipe with the eventual 2-1 game winner and three more single tallies were added by Kennal Marsden, Brynn Meyers and Kelsey Maracle in the solid effort, team-focused win. Another gutsy two-game/one day effort, ladies!

On Sunday, the Storm hosted the Peterborough Ice Kats in a battle for first place in their loop. The Ice Kats opened the scoring in the penalty-filled contest on a short-handed goal early in the first period that seemed to wake the Storm up from their tough two-game tilt the day before. Kennal Marsden tied the game at 1-1 with a quick wrister that fooled the Peterborough tender late in the first period. As the Ice Kats continued their chippy attack, the Storm kept their composure and added three more unanswered goals to secure the win. Kennal Marsden added a second goal, and eventual game-winner, midway through the second period off a power play marker. Kelsey Maracle added another power play goal just seconds later making the score 3-1, and Erin Little rounded out the scoring early in the third period with an insurance goal in the 4-1 win. Great show of class girls in the heated contest for first place bragging rights with a record of 10-1-2. Keep up the focus

girls when we host Lindsay Lynx this Sunday, Dec. 7 in Minden at 2 p.m. Submitted by Dan Marsden

Two wins for Bantam A

The Storm silenced the Oro Thunder with a 6-0 win last Friday night in Minden. It began during a power play, a hard shot by Garbutt from the point, got by the goalie, assisted by Walker. Next, another power play goal by Dollo, assisted by Black, making it 2-0. Patterson-Smith intercepted a pass and got a breakaway, for a short-handed goal. Cooper and Flood took off on a rush, did some sweet passes that ended in short-handed goal by Flood. Another power play for the Storm, Lucas Haedicke fed the puck to Black, his shot found the opening, now 5-0. The Storm continued to dominate, Schmidt getting the last goal, assisted by Jacob Haedicke. A well played game by the entire Storm team and a deserving shutout for Bellefleur.

The Storm traveled to meet with the Penetang Flames last Saturday for a 6-1 win. It began with a feed from O'Neill onto the stick of Cooper, he dangled in for a nice top corner goal. Seconds into the second, Flood deked through and snapped one in. The Storm pressured the Flames. A goal by Cooper began with a hard rush by Manning, making it 3-0, ending the second. The Storm came out strong in the last period. Cooper made a quick pass to Garbutt, he blasted a shot by the goalie. The Storm controlled the puck around net that resulted in a goal by Schmidt. Last goal was a one timer by Garbutt, fed by Manning. It was another great game! The Storm is currently first in their division with 21 points, from 10 wins and a tie. Come out and cheer on the Highland Storm Bantam A team this Friday at 7 p.m. in Haliburton. The Highland Storm Bantam A team is proudly sponsored by Smolen Dentistry

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

Peewee AE takes on the Thunder

Proudly sponsored by the wonderful folks at the Peppermill Restaurant, the Peewee AE Highland Storm are looking more like a team every day. After a tough weekend the week before, the squad showed moments of push-back that was a welcome sight. It proved that despite the losses, this team was not going to give up. The practice on Saturday also showed a focus and determination that had been missing earlier in the season. On Sunday, the Oro Thunder travelled to Minden, and after soundly beating our crew previously, I'm sure they were thinking this would be an easy victory. But for the first time all season, the Storm played solidly for the full game and gave Oro everything they could handle.

Led by Nate Misco, who played a phenomenal game in net, the home squad discovered new-found confidence and pressured the Thunder defence early. Although the visitors claimed the first two goals through two periods, if not for a couple of unlucky bounces, the Storm would have easily kept pace.

In the third period, the Thunder capitalized on some intense pressure early on but the Storm finally got some bounces going their way. After a nice feed from Brendan Newhook, Tyler Martin was the first to break free, deftly crossing through the middle and depositing a beautiful shot, high glove-side. On the next shift, Brady Baldry battled exhaustively, moving the puck down to the corner and crossing a sweet feed to Brendan Cumbs out front who had an easy tap-in to bring the score to within one. Oro claimed the two goal lead again on a fluky bounce but the Storm continued to pressure the Thunder relentlessly. With only one second left, William Petrie fed the puck across to Tyler Martin for his second of the game but unfortunately it was too little, too late.

Regardless, it was this unit's best outing of the season and

definitely illustrated that there is lots to build on for the Silver Stick Tournament in Minden next weekend! Go Storm Go! Oh, and make sure to visit the Peppermill just south of Carnarvon on #35 - you'll be glad you did!

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Atom AEs host South Muskoka

On Saturday, Nov. 29 the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports Atom AEs hosted the South Muskoka Bears in a home an home weekend. The Storm came out flying pounding the Bears goalie battling back and forth going into the second tied at zero. The Storm keeping up the momentum Curtis Mulock got it to Dylan Keefer rushing into the Bears end who did a beautiful tape to tape pass to Kyan Hall in front of the net who backhands it into the top corner. The Storm's lead was short-lived as the Bears came back to score two quick goals making it 2-1 going into the third. The Storm came out with a vengeance to get that goal back. With Evan Armstrong after every bear like it was hunting season got one of the players to cough up the puck in front of the net and Hall picked it up and buried it in. The players battled back and forth but the Bears scored their third goal with 10 minutes remaining in the third. This time the storm battled right back into the Bears end and Keefer buries one from the side of the net to tie it back up. Both teams trying hard to get the go ahead goal the Bears managed to get it making it 4-3. With a 1:19 left in the game the highland storm coaches called a time out and pulled the goalie to get the sixth attacker on the ice. Unfortunately after a hard battle the storm lost possession and the Bears scored on the empty net making the final score 5-3. On Sunday, Nov. 30 the Storm headed to Gravenhurst to play their second game of the home an home series. The Storm were determined to even it out. Just 34 seconds into the game Keefer passed to Hall who out skated the Bears defence and put the puck in the net. With only six seconds left in the first with a rush from Hall shooting on the net and with the puck bouncing Olivia Villamere put it in the net scoring her first of the season. Up 2-0 going into the second the storm got stronger. Coming off the bench Hall picked up the puck from Kaine Brannigan and shot it in, Storm ahead by three. With the Storm pressuring the Bears in their own end with a great set up Chloe Billings to Evan Armstrong and Keefer buries it from the point. Putting the Storm ahead by four. The Bears weren't going down without a fight and managed to get one by. The Storm though were not letting up and scored another one just 12 seconds later with Jamie Crowe banking it of the boards and Hall picking it up behind the net passing it out to Mulock who put it in the net. The Bears managed to score one more in the third. The Storm shifted their momentum back to defence and goalie Damon Harriss shut the door not letting any Bear in. Final score Storm 5, Bears 2. Congratulations storm on your first win of the season your coaching staff and parents are very proud of you!

Submitted by Ron Hall

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Having a pickleball

Highlands resident Doug O'Dell, left, and Wendy Idiens rally at the weekly pickleball offering last Wednesday morning at the Minden Community Centre, located at 55 Parkside Ave. in Minden. Idiens is one of several regular players (including a variety of participants such as an 82-year-old) that participates in the racquet sport that is a cross between table tennis, badminton and tennis. Cost is \$2 and starts at 9 a.m. It will break for the holidays, starting Dec. 17 and resume Jan. 7. Idiens and organizer O'Dell, a former squash player, love the sport for its recreation and social aspects. Racquets are available to beginners. Please wear gym attire with non-marking soled shoes. For more information call 705-286-2298.

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WHAT: Please bring your valid Ontario Health Card

WHERE: 7217 Gelert Road, Haliburton, ON 1st Floor in the Family Health Team Suite

WHEN: Starting the week of December 1, 2014, Monday to Friday 8 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm

WHO: All residents without a local primary healthcare provider (parents or guardians may sign for children under the age of 16, but we still need their Health Card information. Children 16 and over must sign themselves)

If you have any questions, please call Kim Robinson at 705-457-1212, extension 368. We look forward to seeing you!



Program offers Christmas hope

Melissa Alfano
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A big thank you to all who contributed to this year's tree-lighting – Algonquin Highlands Fire Services for opening the fire hall, having a tent for us in the rain, building and taking care of the bonfire, Elizabeth Johnson for leading

the carol singing, The Dorset Lions Club and The District of Muskoka for funding the dinner, St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church for preparing and serving the dinner and to all those who donated to the free Christmas shopping table – thank you!

The Dorset Children's Christmas Party is this Saturday, Dec. 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. There will be entertainment, refreshments, face painting and Santa! Please bring one wrapped gift for pres-

entation to your child by Santa. Call Tom Krawczyk at 705-766-9026 for more information. This event is sponsored by the Dorset Lions Club.

Knox United Church is hosting a Service of Remembrance and Hope on Sunday, December 7 at 2 p.m.

This service is designed for those who have a difficult time with the Christmas season, whether due to the loss of friend or loved one or any type of hardship in their lives and is

open to all in the community.

On Saturday, Dec. 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. Knox United Church is holding a Pie Sale and Tea. Come for a slice of pie, coffee or tea or juice and have the opportunity to buy baked or frozen pies, mincemeat and butter tarts.

Birthday wishes for Nov. 30 to December 6 go out to Gina Baum. If you have items or birthdays for the Dorset News, please send them to malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Award-winning children's submissions now on display

Drum roll, please! The moment is here that 48 children from Archie Stouffer Elementary School have been eagerly awaiting. Minden Legion's Remembrance Poster and Literary competitions are closed and the following first place entries are safely on their way to be judged at the next level. Essay competition: Olivia Johnson, Junior category and Liam McAlister, Intermediate. Poem, Liam McAlister. Black and white poster competitions: Jaiden Mueller, Primary; Hannah Gartshore, Junior, and Logan Roylance Intermediate. Colour Poster competition: Baylie Stover, Primary and Grace Hudson, Junior.

We will be working with school officials to arrange presentations of the awards in the near future. Our thanks to the teachers and parents for encouraging these students with their remembrance work. In the words from one of the entries: "They will always be here, in our thoughts, in our homes, in Flanders Fields and mostly in our hearts". Minden has some very talented children, come see their work which will be posted on the walls of the Legion for a few more days yet.

The crowds attending Saturday's Christmas craft show had a first-hand opportunity to check out the students' work. They also visited tables with baking, tree ornaments, Avon gifts, wooden signs, knitted gifts and much more. The Legion had its own table laden with baby blankets, bags, cushions, mitts and

hats, even some very popular wooden reindeer! The hot coffee and special lunch menu was a big hit. Thanks to our vendors, volunteers and buyers, it was a great day and we'll be doing this again.

Sunday euchre is coming up Dec 7 at 12 noon; \$12 includes lunch and 12 games of cards. Set the date for Saturday, December 13, from 1 to 5 pm, when the Highland Trio will be entertaining. You'll love their toe-tapping county, bluegrass, folk and down-east music. This group has some very loyal fans, so plan to come early for the best seats.

Wednesday Dec. 17t we are serving Christmas turkey dinner noon to 2 p.m., with special Christmas Meat Draws. This is a very popular day, be sure you don't miss out!

Minden Legion welcomes three new members: Jim McKinnon, Joanne McKinnon, and Gillian E. Graham, and we look forward to their involvement with Branch 636. Two more applications have been proposed and will be submitted at the next executive meeting, as there are no general membership meetings until March. Members who are celebrating a significant milestone in their Legion membership will receive their recognition at the President's Levee and Honours and Awards Day on Jan. 1.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 is currently recruiting new members who believe in remembrance and who support

our veterans and our troops. Whether or not you have a military connection, we encourage you to complete a membership application or transfer. Annual dues include a subscription to LEGION magazine, several mem-

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Step 1: Call in advance to the Home Builders Office 457-6901

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This is the 19th anniversary of the Christmas Challenge. Whether this is the first year you have taken the challenge or the 19th year all gifts are needed. If you aren't sure what to collect simply gather local gift certificates. A value of \$15.00 each make is easy to top up gifts for families who have teenagers.

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Emma-grams and pancake breakfasts

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Here at the old farmhouse as November draws to its close we have watched the celebrity commercials for November promoting men's health awareness. While there are no moustaches or beards grown here I still smile remembering years ago when granddaughter Emma aged about four years was sitting on my lap. Reaching up she stroked my face remarking "grandma you have whiskers on your chin". Then came the delightful next line. "I don't suppose they help you find your way in the dark." There were many other fun remarks which we labelled "Emma-grams" during the many years we had the joy of her being with us daily. Another favourite was the announcement on arrival of her mother Rita's cautionary reminder "if you cross the road to the plaza with grandma today hold onto her hand as she is not as swift as used to be" and that was 22 years ago!

With regard to the Kinmount Christmas in the Village celebrations please note that while the tree lighting at the Rail-

way Station on Thursday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m. is as scheduled there have been some changes in the times/locations of events being held on Saturday, Dec. 6. The Pancake Breakfast with Santa from 8:30 to 11 a.m. is still at St. James Anglican Church in the Church Hall but the Crafts for Kids program with Lynne Kilby from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. will be upstairs above the hall at the Kinmount Community Centre. On the lower level of the Centre the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace, open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., will again have a surprise for the children. At 2 p.m. Gerard and the hay wagon will meet families at the Post Office to lead off the trip up to the Legion Branch 441 where there will be a free family lunch and gifts for the children 10 years and under. Also on Saturday, December 6th the Kinmount Farmers' Market will welcome everyone to its Christmas Open House in the main hall at the Community Centre from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with special feature including a Gift Basket Draw, a 50/50 Draw and a KFM Twoonie for the first 25 visitors. In the evening Christmas Music Night at the Galway Hall starting at 7 p.m. will feature the Celtic Music of the Family Tye plus beverage, desserts and a Christmas Loonie Auction. For ticket information call 705-488-2635. All these details can be found by visiting www.kinmount.ca.

Coming up this Sunday, Dec. 7 at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount there will be a Craft and Bake Sale starting at 11 a.m. with many vendors and a Country Raffle. Bring along a friend and plan to stay for tea/coffee and a light lunch. For more information on the many programs, events and hall rentals at this busy Branch visit its facebook page or call 705-488-3462.

Everyone is welcome to join the members of St. James Anglican Church and Kinmount United Church for the annual Carol Singing on Sunday, December 7th at 2 p.m. This event alternates between the two Churches and this year will be at Kinmount United Church located up on the hill at 15 Cluxton Street.

When checking your Christmas list don't forget a new, unwrapped toy to be placed under the Kinmount and District Lions Club Angel Trees now set up around town. The age groups most difficult to provide items for are apparently infants and teenagers with gift cards a good suggestion for the latter. Non-perishable food items are also most welcome under the Trees to be included in the Lions Christmas hampers.

Until next week keep busy and well, they go together . . .

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November 25 contract bridge at Minden United Church: The high scoring trio members were Bob Penfold 3,950, Dave Heaven 3,720 and our reporter Nancy Ballantyne 3,710. On their first hand Bob Penfold and Nancy Ballantyne teamed up for a Small Slam.

November 25 Mixed Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: Pearl Cowen reports that top marks went to Kaye Bull and Anne Manning at 381 then Dorene Elstone and George Hamilton 370. In third place at 344 were Merv Elstone and Mary Trumbull while Joan Bell partnered with Yvonne Arbuthnot claimed the afternoon's low score of 186.

November 25 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Dorothy McElwain 266, Bev Johnson 265, Theresa Deak 237 and Vi Howell 231. First for the gents at 247 was Pat Norman followed by John Deak 243, Karen Chapman 236 and Bill McKnight 228. Betty Wagar further reports that Kevin Maloney was the major draw winner with Howard Smith, Georgina Parkes and Clare Obdam picking up the smaller prizes while Clare Obdam and Pat Roussel took the moonshots.

November 25 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: Lone hand honours went to Tracey Dyson with Gala Newell high lady and Donna Darby low. Doug Cooper led the gents with Gene Newell low man and Irene McDowell winning the draw. Thanks to Nancy McPherson for this update.

November 26 bid euchre at Stanhope: Leading the whites was our reporter Linda Lambert 272 then Pat Scadden 217 and Jack Cox 203. First for the pinks was Pat Marshall 262 followed by Willie Cox 220 and Marg Oetelaar 200 while moonshots landed on Jason Peacock [2], Pat Scadden, Linda Lambert and Jean Dutka. The group was saddened to learn of the recent passing of Muriel Harrington who will be much missed and well remembered.

November 26 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing Howell the top three duos were Jackie Metcalf partnered with Bruce Armstrong 56 percent, Joan Davies and our bridge reporter Margo Davidson 53 percent and Jan and Dave Heaven 51 percent.

November 27 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Karin Harrison 367, Pat Roussel 279, our reporter Bev Johnson 248 and Muriel McIntosh 220. First for the gents at 281 was Marcel Roussel followed by Dwaine Lloyd 245, Jean Scadden 235 and Archie Ross 230. Bruce Medcalf held the hidden score with Marcel Roussel winning for call 1 and Garth Windsor for the card draw. Garth also had a moonshot along with Maria Tschida, Pat Roussel and Doreen Degrave.

November 27 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Bev Johnson and Doug O'Dell with Cheryl O'Dell and Jim Bradbury posting the high scores. The evening's lows went to our reporter May Bradbury and Murray Daniels while Tom Orr, Jim Bradbury, Bev Johnson and Howard Smith [2] took home the other prizes.

November 28 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Winning for high hands was our reporter Shirley Howe, for lone hands Pat Bailey, for low hands Jean Randell and for the special prize Doreen Francis.

November 28 contract bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Claiming top marks were Ross Davies at 6.770 and Diane

James 6,660.

November 29 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Leading ladies were Barb Callaghan 291, Pat Norman 286, Pearl Cowen 272 and June Branning 251. First for the gents at 350 was Karin Harrison followed by Tom Grix tied with Marcel Roussel at 285, Pauline Franzen 275 and Clare Obdam 244. Kevin Maloney won the special prize with Dorothy McElwain, Vi Howell and Maria Tschida claiming the smaller prizes while June Branning, Karin Harrison, Dorothy McElwain, Pearl Cowen, Pauline Franzen, Tom Grix and Betty Wagar took the moonshots. Thanks to Albert Foster for this news.

December 1 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Lyn Preston and Elaine Smith with Ellen Holden and Lil Mann posting the high scores. Kay Godden had the afternoon's low score while Pearl Cowen won the special prize. Thanks to Tiim Sharpe for this news.

December 1 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Topping the charts for the Blue Team at 239 was Jim Corbett then Rose Isaacson 229 and Dana Briscoe 192. First for the White Team at 243 was Pauline Franzen with Theresa Deak 230 next and Carol Murphy 198 third. Mike St. Thomas also reports that Jim Corbett and Sam Gaudet took the afternoon's moonshots.

December 1 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Sherin Brown reports that Shirley Howe won for high hands, Margaret Fletcher for lone hands, Nick Boekestyn for low hands and Lil Mann for the special prize.

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Woods Road \$359,000



- Fabulous 3+ bdrm home
- Over 1900 sq. ft. of living space
- Close to town, boat launch(s)
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NEW LISTING

Pine Street \$259,000




- Renovated 4+ bdrm in town home
- New windows upstairs, soffit and eaves
- New propane boiler and furnace
- Flat lot with lots of parking

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Halbiem – BY THE LAKE! \$67,900



- Prestigious neighborhood
- Boat launch 5 lake chain
- Close to all amenities
- Walk to town!!!

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Kennisis Lake - View! S. Exp! Granite! Pines! \$309,000



- 2 bdrm cottage, open concept, fully furnished
- Appliances fairly new, Gazebo on deck
- Make this into a 4 season retreat, very private
- Add a septic (approx \$12,000) (composting Now)

Gloria Carnochan & Cindy Muenzel 754-1932

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- 100 Ft Water Frontage, .43 Acres
- Approx 1,450 Sq Ft, 3 Bdrms, 1.5 Baths
- Woodstove, Pine Ceiling, Hardwood/Ceramic Flooring
- Lg private deck, Child friendly beach

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- 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, main floor laundry
- Newer furnace, windows, beautifully finished
- Wrap around porch, garage with loft
- Walk to all services - Only \$159,000

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Maple Lake \$449,000




SOLD

- Year round 1.5 storey cottage
- 3 bdrm 2 bathroom 100 ft waterfront
- Kitchen and Dining is original log
- Bunkie, workshop and woodshed

Lee Gauthier 489-9968


Great Deal in Hunter Creek Estates! \$35,900



- Comfortable 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home
- Located in Minden's Hunter Creek Estates
- Land lease includes water, snow-plowing and garbage pick up
- Plan on viewing this warm and cozy home!

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28

Jim Beef Lake \$59,000



- Great building lot, West Exp.
- Just outside of Haliburton Village
- Just under 1/2 acre
- Beautiful natural setting

Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29

Wenona Lake Access \$147,500



- 4 Season cottage overlooking Wenona Lake
- Deeded lake access just steps away
- Full septic, drilled well
- New metal roof and woodstove

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Building Lot McLeod St. Minden \$39,000



SOLD

- Close to hospital and downtown.
- Friendly, quiet neighbourhood.
- Convenient to everything Minden has to offer

Valerie Kulla 286-2138

Minden Home \$159,900



- 3 bedroom, 2 full bath home
- Nice level lot and single garage
- Spotless and clean freshly painted
- New carpet and linoleum, close to school

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23

NEW LISTING

Davis Lake \$279,900



- 3 bedroom, 4 season cottage
- Bunkie + garage
- Level lot, sand beach, dock
- Big lake view

David Lee 286-2138 x 27

South of Minden \$117,900



- Well maintained home in quiet community
- Newly shingled roof in 2012, bright kitchen
- 3 bdrms, laundry room, woodstove, office
- Loads of space, private yard

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34

Home with a Pond \$147,000



- Central location, value packed and priced to sell
- 3 Bedroom home with double detached garage
- Lovely 1+ acre lot with pond, gardens & trees
- 200 amp service, newer roof, FA Furnace

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29

NEW LISTING

Glamor Lake \$589,000



- 5 bdrm, 3 bath, master w/en suite
- WO to lakeside deck from master, kit & livingrm
- WO bsmt, landscaped lot, perennial gardens
- 3 car gar. with storage, + out buildings, custom dock

Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31

Halls Lake \$250,000



- Imagine waking up to this view every morning!!
- Great property with original 1940's cabin
- + 440 sq ft Bunkie with 1 BR, bath & kitchen
- Beautiful, hard packed, sand bottom beach!!

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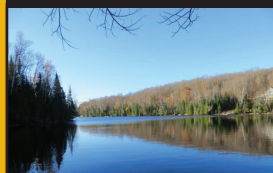
Country Charm \$249,900



- Close to town, 5 acres of privacy, with ponds
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
- 30 x 45 barn and 16 x 30 drive shed
- Great location, easy access, super value!

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28

Yes You Can Afford Soyers Lake! \$119,900



- 2.33 acres of well forested land
- Great building sites with awesome lake view
- Water frontage across the quiet cottage road
- Fabulous home or cottage location

Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24

Sunnyside Hilltop Lot - \$68,500




- Scenic hilltop views over Haliburton Village
- Multi-exposure 1.5 acre residential lot
- Private setting in area of finer homes
- Well-maintained Township road - a "Must-Buy!"

Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52

NEW LISTING


Country Home with Lake Access



- 3 Bedroom/2 Bath Home, Boat Launch to Kushog 300m Away
- Cathedral Ceilings, Pine Kitchen, Hardwood and Ceramic Floors
- Full Walk-Out Basement w/Rec Room, Office and Hobby Room
- 24'x 24' Insulated and Wired Workshop

Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32

Boshkung Lake \$599,000



- Year round ctge/home on Echo Bay
- 151' of hard sand beach, with rock outcrops
- 3 bdrms, brick FP, custom kitchen, whirlpool tub
- West exp. and excellent privacy

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25

Tedious Lake \$519,000



- Newly built 3 bedroom, 2 bath cottage
- 2+ acres, 150' water ftg & stunning sunsets
- Open concept layout with cathedral ceilings
- Full & finished walkout basement

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25

NEW LISTING

Haliburton Lakefront Classic! \$699,000



- Charming 3200 sq ft home, 3 BR, 2 Bath
- 170' ftg on Grass Lake; 5 Lake Chain
- Beautifully landscaped, Western Exposure, Large Decks
- Ideal for a large family or entertaining

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